

English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL)

Overview

The English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) courses are designed to help non-native speakers of English to enter and succeed in the community and technical college system as well as in the transfer curriculum.

ESOL skills courses focus on speaking and listening, reading and vocabulary, writing and grammar, and pronunciation.

Depending on their intended major, students completing the ESOL courses may begin one of the career and technical programs or enroll in general education courses.

Students interested in enrolling in the ESOL courses must take the ESL ACCUPLACER test. This test assesses reading, listening and grammar ability.

Outcomes

1. Enter a career and technical program, take general education courses or, if needed, take further developmental coursework.
2. Demonstrate an ability to understand written and spoken English.
3. Communicate effectively in written and spoken English.
4. Understand academic and cultural expectations for American colleges.
5. Apply critical thinking skills.

Application Process

Step 1: Apply for Admission

Fill out and submit the online Saint Paul College application at www.saintpaul.edu/apply or stop by Enrollment Services Room 1300 where computers are available for submitting an application online to be admitted to the College.

Step 2: Take the ESL Placement Test

The ESL Placement Test is a computerized test that covers reading, writing and listening. The test takes about 2 hours to finish, but students may take as much time as needed. An appointment is not needed to take this test. Students must check in at Enrollment Services (Room 1300) and will then be directed to the location where the test is administered. When finished with all parts of the test, students must take their test scores to Enrollment Services. Accepted students will receive notification by mail as to when to come for orientation and registration.

Step 3: Attend Orientation / Registration Session

Students receive a letter from Saint Paul College notifying them as to which Orientation Session they should attend. At Orientation, students learn more about the College and also meet with ESOL instructors and register for classes.

Program Faculty

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Part-time/Full-time Options

Students may attend either part-time or full-time.

Course Requirements

Check off when completed

Course	Cr
<input type="checkbox"/> ESOL 0760 High Intermediate Reading and Vocabulary	5
<input type="checkbox"/> ESOL 0770 High Intermediate Writing and Grammar	5
<input type="checkbox"/> ESOL 0780 High Intermediate Speaking and Listening	5
<input type="checkbox"/> ESOL 0860 Advanced Reading and Vocabulary	5
<input type="checkbox"/> ESOL 0870 Advanced Writing and Grammar	5
<input type="checkbox"/> ESOL 0880 Advanced Speaking and Listening	5

Total Course Credits 30

Electives

<input type="checkbox"/> ESOL 0820 Pronunciation and Articulation	1
<input type="checkbox"/> ESOL 0900 Academic Reading and Writing	5
<input type="checkbox"/> ESOL 1490 Special Topics in English for Speakers of Other Languages	1-6

Program Start Dates

Fall, Spring

Course Sequence

The following sequence is recommended for a full-time student, however, it is not required.

First Semester

ESOL 0760 High Intermediate Reading and Vocabulary	5
ESOL 0770 High Intermediate Writing and Grammar	5
ESOL 0780 High Intermediate Speaking and Listening	5
Total Semester Credits	15

Second Semester

ESOL 0860 Advanced Reading and Vocabulary	5
ESOL 0870 Advanced Writing and Grammar	5
ESOL 0880 Advanced Speaking and Listening	5
Total Semester Credits	15

Third Semester

Consult with Program Faculty on third semester options.

Total Course Credits 30

*Information is subject to change.
This Course Sequence Guide is not a contract.*

Minimum Program Entry Requirements

Assessment Results and Prerequisites:

Students admitted into Saint Paul College programs may need to complete additional courses based on assessment results and course prerequisite requirements. Certain MATH, READ, and ENGL courses have additional prerequisites.